and phone log entries and correspondence – surrounding key meetings and events.

The Office also reaped the benefits of having an experienced and able group of legal secretaries on board for the life of the investigation, including Reva L. Lovett-Grisby, Amy J. Hoy, Currie C. Gunn, Carol M. Counselman, and Linda M. Cincotta. They each took to their individual assignments with genuine professionalism, skill, and good humor. During the particularly demanding days of the grand jury segment of our inquiry, they worked long hours without complaint in supporting the work of the lawyers and FBI agents as we readied for witnesses or prepared the all-important reports of witness interviews. Amy had the additional and thankless job of coordinating attorney usage of grand jury time and, for a while, had to coordinate that usage with another independent counsel's office who was using the services of the same grand jury.

Near the end of our investigation we made the decision to reach outside our fine group of lawyers and other professionals to someone who could bring an independent and learned perspective to our case analysis. Were this Office a part of a broader prosecutor's office, this outreach would find us simply down the hall in the office of a colleague who had not worked on our particular case. But, being a one-case, independent investigative entity and wanting to preserve that independence, we chose to reach out to a respected academician who also happened to have substantial experience under his belt as a twice-serving Assistant United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York and a counselor to at least two prior Independent Counsels. I am most grateful to Professor Gerard E. Lynch, a constitutional and criminal law scholar at the Columbia University School of Law, for his willingness to serve on a consultant basis as Counsel to the Independent Counsel, despite his misgivings about the now expired